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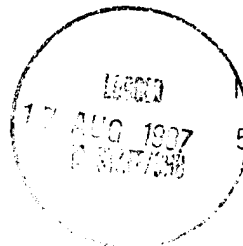
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MEMORANDUM FOR: National Foreign Intelligence Board Principals

FROM: H. F. Hutchinson, Jr.  
Vice Chairman, National Intelligence Council

SUBJECT: Revision of Guidance for Interagency  
Intelligence Production

REFERENCE: My memo, same subject, 8 June 1987

1. Your representatives met with me on 16 June and provided valuable written and oral suggestions for revisions of our procedures for interagency production. Those suggestions were incorporated into several drafts of revised procedures that have been discussed with the National Intelligence Officers.

2. Several distinguishing features have emerged in this revision.

- a. The procedures are much simpler, shorter, provide guidelines to a logical sequence of activity, and emphasize Community participation.
- b. Rigid production timelines have been eliminated in favor of having the NIO establish timelines for each product in consultation with your representatives.
- c. Emphasis upon DCI policy to seek NFIB counsel before he approves an interagency product.
- d. Clarifies policy that any senior intelligence or policy official can request an interagency product, either directly to DCI or NIO or through departmental channels.
- e. Stresses NIO responsibility to assist in reducing number of topics brought before NFIB, his responsibility to apply criteria of policy relevance and need for Community judgment to interagency production proposals, and the objective of more succinct interagency papers.



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- f. Simplified nomenclature to Estimates and Memoranda. The National Intelligence Estimate (NIE), Special National Intelligence Estimate (SNIE), Interagency Intelligence Memorandum (IIM) are essentially unchanged. We propose dropping the term Interagency Intelligence Assessment (IIA) in favor of Special Interagency Intelligence Memorandum (SIIM).

3. Copies of the proposed revisions also have been sent to your representatives who attended the 16 June meeting. Please provide your comments and suggestions on the attached proposal by 19 August. Then, I plan to have a final draft ready for NFIB discussion by the end of the month.

H. F. Hutchinson, Jr.

Attachment:  
As stated

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